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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the non-final Office Action dated March 24, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: